

2. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim ¹²~~1~~, [characterised in that] ~~wherein the scale collector is supported by a carrier member on a frame of the filter.~~ ^{mounted on the frame.}

3. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 2, [characterised in that] wherein the carrier member is detachably mounted on the frame.

4. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to claim 2, [characterised in that] wherein the carrier member is permanently mounted on the frame.

5. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 2, [characterised in that] wherein the scale collector is removably mounted ⁽¹¹⁾to the carrier member.

6. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim 3, [characterised in that] wherein the carrier member is situated on a part of the frame away from ^{said mesh material} ~~water filtering mesh material supported by the frame.~~

7. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to [any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that] Claim ~~1~~ 12, wherein the scale collector comprises a compacted mesh block.

8. (Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to Claim [7 and Claim 3, characterised in that] 3, wherein the carrier member has a part which extends through a bore in the block and the block is rotatable around that part.

9. Amended) A filter for use in a water heating vessel according to [any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that] Claim 1, ^{coupled to the frame} ~~wherein~~ the scale collector is ~~carried on the structure~~ towards an end thereof which in use in a water heating vessel is closest to the bottom of the vessel.

10. (Amended) A water heating vessel including a filter ~~structure~~ according to [any one of Claims 1 to 9] Claim 1 ¹² removably mounted within the vessel and extending over a water outlet of the vessel.

11. (Amended) A water heating vessel according to Claim 10, [characterised in that] wherein the water heating vessel comprises a kettle.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Page 12, before line 5, delete in its entirety and substitute the following heading: --ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE--.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to place the application in proper U.S. format. Entry is respectfully requested.

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